GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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DOWNSIZING IN POSTAL SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken by the Ministry to downsize staff in the Postal Sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that several posts are being abolished in several post offices; and

(d) is so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b): As per the policy of the Government, the vacancies under the Annual Direct Recruitment Plans are required to be cleared by the Screening Committee. This Committee is required to ensure that 1/3rd vacancies against direct recruitment quota are filled up in a year and the remaining 2/3rd vacancies abolished, with a further ceiling that the total recruitment in a recruitment year does not exceed 1% of the total sanctioned strength of the Department.

(c) & (d): As per the policy of the Government, during the recruitment years, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 the following posts were abolished.

Year	No. of posts abolished
2000	4237
2001	6460
2002	5672
2003	5870